IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF NEBRASKA

ADRIAN GUTIERREZ MARTINEZ,

Petitioner,

VS.

SHERI DAWSON, **MARK** LABOUCHARDIER, TOM BARR, Hospital Administrator; NORFOLK REGIONAL CENTER, **KRIS** BOE SIMMONS, Clinicial Program Manager; MD DOUET CHE, Staff Psychiatrist, Clinical Director: Acting **BEV** LUEGHEN, LISNHP, Sex Offender; and GROUP FACILITATOR,

Respondents.

8:20CV408

MEMORANDUM AND ORDER

Petitioner filed a Petition for Writ of Habeas Corpus (filing 1) and a Motion for Leave to Proceed in Forma Pauperis (filings 3 & 4). Habeas corpus cases attacking the legality of a person's confinement require the payment of a \$5.00 filing fee. 28 U.S.C. § 1914(a). However, after considering Petitioner's financial status as shown in the records of this court (see trust account statement at filing 3), leave to proceed in forma pauperis will be granted and Petitioner is relieved from paying the filing fee. See 28 U.S.C. § 1915(a)(1).

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that: Petitioner's Motion for Leave to Proceed in Forma Pauperis (filings 3 & 4) is granted. The next step in this case is for the court to conduct a preliminary review of the habeas corpus petition in accordance with Rule 4 of the Rules Governing Section 2254 cases. The court will conduct this review in its normal course of business.

Dated this 22nd day of October, 2020.

BY THE COURT:

Richard G. Kopf Richard G. Kopf

Senior United States District Judge